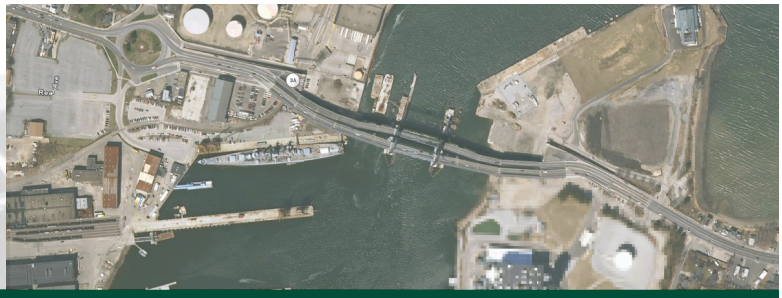
FORE RIVER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT



PROJECT FACT SHEET

- **Location:** The Fore River Bridge carries Massachusetts Route 3A over the Fore River between Quincy and Weymouth.
- **Role:** The Fore River Bridge is a significant component of the regional transportation infrastructure carrying an average of 30,000 vehicles per day. As a movable span, the bridge also allows ships access to the Fore River, a major commercial and recreational waterway.
- **Project History:** In the 1990's, the original 1936 bridge was found to be badly deteriorated. A temporary replacement span was constructed 150 feet upriver and in 2004 the 1936 span was demolished. The temporary structure currently carries Route 3A.
- **Project Future:** MassHighway has selected a consultant team led by STV Incorporated to provide a bridge type study, twenty-five percent design plans, and a twenty-five percent design-build procurement package for the Fore River Bridge Replacement Project. The existing temporary bridge over the Fore River will be replaced with a new permanent movable bridge on the alignment of the 1936 bridge. Replacement of the temporary structure is expected to cost $255 million.
  - **Key Dates:**
  - Basic Design: 2008–2010
  - 25% design: January–August 2010
  - Design/Build procurement package: September 2010–April 2011
  - Completion of Construction: 2015
- **A Different Kind of Process:** Replacement of the Fore River Bridge is a major component in Governor Patrick's Accelerated Bridge program. MassHighway is committed to completing this and other bridges in the shortest amount of time possible with the least amount of disruption to local communities while being environmentally responsible. To speed replacement of the Fore River Bridge, MassHighway is using design/build methods and will investigate innovative construction techniques.
- **Citizen Input:** Your input to the project is solicited and appreciated. Wherever possible, MassHighway will integrate citizen input into its design and construction of the new Fore River Bridge. We invite you to participate in our first Public Information meeting on **June 23rd, 2009 at 6PM at the Thomas Crane Library at 40 Washington Street in Quincy, Massachusetts. This site is fully ADA compliant.** Should you have further questions, please feel free to contact Nathaniel Cabral-Curtis by phone (617-482-7080), facsimile (617-482-7417), or email (ncabral-curtis@hshassoc.com).